Case,C-9556, Lake City Police

Investigator's Report ref missing

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Inv James L Daugherty

On February 9, 1978, at 3:25 P. M. the Lake City Police Department received a call from Thomas Leach of [redacted]. Mr. Leach advised that his daughter, [redacted] age 12, was missing from the Junior High School where she was a 7th grade student. He also advised that the last time she was seen was around 9:00 A.M. that morning. A BOLO (be on the lookout) was put out to all of our units and with the sheriffs office. On February 10, in the early morning hours, I received a call from Frieda Leach, the mother of [redacted], she call me and advised that [redacted] had not returned home and she was very upset and worried and was in fear of foul play. I did respond to Morris Williams the assistant principal of the junior high school, who resided at 2411 McFarland Avenue with a resident telephone of 752-8877. After talking with Mr. Williams it was ascertained that [redacted], had in fact been at school the morning before, during the ninth (9th), Thursday and had attended home room class and from home room class had attended the first period class which was in this case P.E., (Physical Education). Physical Education was being held in the auditorium that day due to the foul weather outside. The first bell rings at 8:30 A.M. and then the bell rings again at 8:35 A.M. which is the tardy bell for homeroom. Homeroom is a session for ten (10) minutes. At 8:45 A.M. the bell rings allowing the students four (4) minutes to go from home room to first (1st) period, then the bell rings at 8:49 A.M.. This bell indicates that ~~homeroom~~ FIRST period is in session. [redacted] had already attended homeroom which was taught by John L. Bishop of 420 East Camp Street. While being in first (1st) period, which is taught by Mrs. Caldwell, who resides at the corner of Montana and Broadway Street, Lake City. The Physical Education teacher, she received a note, the physical Education teacher Mrs. Caldwell received a note at approximately 9:15 A.M. by [redacted] a student of John L. Bishop.

John L. Bishop had sent [redacted] with this note to Mrs. Caldwell to advise that [redacted] should return to her homeroom classroom and retrieve her blue denim purse which she had left in the room while attending her homeroom. This note was receive approximately 9:15 A.M., [redacted] did leave the auditorium area where physical education was being held that day with [redacted]. They did traverse the area of approximately 100 yards from the auditorium across the basketball courts and entered the south side of central building. They did stop and get a drink of water just inside the door and walked to the second classroom on the left which was John L. Bishop's and both students did enter the room [redacted] did retrieve her purse. While retrieving her purse she did joke briefly with one student, [redacted] date of birth, [redacted], residence [redacted], home phone number [redacted]. The student that carried the note to first (1st) period from homeroom to get [redacted] to come back and get her purse was [redacted], her date of birth, [redacted], residence [redacted], her home phone number is [redacted], her parents business phone is [redacted]. [redacted] has subsequently been interviewed numberous times.

[redacted] left the homeroom, walking south the same way she came into central and opened the double doors at the end of the central building and exited those doors, this was viewed by [redacted] and several of the other students in the class they viewed her walking south down the hall way but it appears that [redacted] was in a position to observe [redacted] open the double doors and exit the building, in fact the same way that entry way gained by [redacted] and [redacted]. This being at approximately

9:17 A.M. this was arrived at by putting [redacted] under hypnosis and she did advise that at 9:13 A.M. is when she left the room to go get [redacted], she looked at the clock and figuring the time it would take to walk the hundred yards over and the hundred yards back. At the time of the disappearance of [redacted] she was wearing a brown coat, three (3) quarter length, trimmed in white fur, this coat having a hood also trimmed in white fur. The trimming being at the cuffs, at the tail of the coat and around the hood. She had on a sky blue perferated football jersy with the red numeral 83 over a pullover type white blouse. Now this pullover type blouse was underneath the blue football jersy. She had on a training bra, a regular pair of panties, the name brand unknown at this time, a pair of blue jeans, a brown pair of shoes, suade type two-tone shoes with a crepe sole smooth crepe sole. She had on a very small delicate choker type gold chain necklace. She had a gold ring with a green oblong stone. She had on gold loop errings, her ears were pierced. She was twelve (12) years of age, she was five (5) foot tall, weighed approximately one hundred (100) pounds she had shoulder length brown hair parted in the center and she had pretty, well formed teeth. She also had a scar on one of her knees, the mother could not advise which one it was that had the scar.

Several people that should have been or were near or around the campus were interviewed, it was ascertained that one of the janitors, Eddie Goodbread, Route 49, Lake City, FL, the janitor for approximately twelve (12) or fourteen (14) years and the driver of a 1978 white Buick Riveria with pinstripes and a red interior had just pulled up to the south side of central as the two girls were entering central. It seems as though Mr. Goodgread got out of his car and walked into the south side of central behind the girls but not seeing the girls.

The girls entered the room just before Mr. Goodbread entered the building. Mr. Goodbread had walked past the room and was preparing to exit the building on the othereend as [redacted] came back out of the room and was exiting the building behind Eddie Goodbread in the opposite end of the building and in the opposite direction.

I interviewed Mr. Goodbread at length by my self as well as patrolman Parrish and Tommy Trammel of the second circuit state attorneys office and it is ascertained that he did not see anything that he could recall. That he just simply drove up, got out of his car, walked through central and to the office of the main building without noting anything. He did advise that he would be hypnotized if we so desired to see if we could get any further information.

Subsequently after talking to Mr. Williams, the assistant principal, he advised that I should talk with one [redacted], age 14, of [redacted], in reference to him seeing [redacted] being appearantly abducted by a black male driving a blue 4 door Chevrolet at the North East corner of the campus Thursday morning. [redacted] was riding in a school bus and he was on his way home that evening, Thursday evening and he traveled approximately one hundred (100) yards on East Duval Street in this bus during the time of travel the bus never did stop and while looking out the window of this bus in a southerly direction onto the campus he observed [redacted] walk from the auditorium stairs across the campus being approximately one hundred (100) yeards to the North East corner being the intersection of third (3rd) Street and East Duval Street. As she was passing by this blue four (4) door sedan, he believes to be a Chevrolet, a black male, which was standing in front of the car called to her, she appeared to respond and then started to walk of when he grabbed her and put her in the passenger side of the car. The car was headed south on Third (3rd) Street. He could give no description of the black male other than he appeared to be about six (6) foot tall. After talking with [redacted] for about two (2) hours in the presence of Mr. Williams, he finally admitted that he had made up the story just simply to gain a little bit of publicity so it was discounted as false.

At 10:00 A.M. on the tenth (10th) of February 1978, in the office of Mr. Willams at the Junior High School I talked with one [redacted] age twelve (12), of [redacted] She related that she had observed [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted] getting into a beige vehicle at Third (3rd) Street and Saint Johns Street the front end of the car was beat up but the rest of the vehicle otherwise looked pretty good. After talking with [redacted] I was sort-of leary of her statement. She stated she was walking from the west side of the main building South between Central and the Main building across the basket ball courts and around to go into the East side of central building. Looking all the way across the basketball courts and into a car that would have been at that particular location would have been extremely difficult.

I checked this out further on Monday morning February 13, 1978, and talked with [redacted] again, then she stated, after being confronted with [redacted], she could have been wrong [redacted], vehemently deined even knowning [redacted] and stated that he was inside his classroom at the time in question. The description given by [redacted] of the girl who she purportedly identified as [redacted] was wearing a red coat long, with brown pants which did not fit the description of the clothing that [redacted] was last reported to have had on.

Jack Berry, a private investigator, appearantly had been retained by the family, or he volunteered his time, he advised us that he had, had information that a 1963 light green Chevrolet with a Texas tag KGB 612 had been reported near the school campus during the morning hours of Thursday. Subsequently this vehicle was located and it was located at [redacted] and after talking with the owner, Mrs. Jones who is a employee of Jimmy's Buttermilk Chicken of Park Street, she advised that her daughter [redacted] age 12, was registering into the Junior High School as they had all just moved drom Texas and the car had in fact been at the Junior High School for that purpose. After looking at [redacted] she did have long brown hair parting in the center and was approximately the same size of [redacted] and could very well have been mistaken to have been [redacted].

On February 10, 1978, a report was given to all Sheriff's Department units and Police Department units that a girl answering the description of [redacted] was seen running in the area of Five (5) Points, being more specific it was in the afternoon, right after school was out, approximately four 4 O'Clock in the afternoon. This girl was reportedly to have gone up to a residence and knocked on the door and asked permission to stay the night as she was tired and hungry. The resident went to the telephone to call the police and the girl fled. She was later located and it was ascertained that she was [redacted]

[redacted] and she was in fact a run-a-way but not [redacted] she was subsequently returned home.

February 11, 1978, it was reported by telephone that one [redacted] who lived in the Five (5) Points area was seen walking with [redacted] Friday afternoon. Myself and private investigator Jack Berry responded to the residence of [redacted] and it was infact that [redacted], who was Owen Ratliff's daughter, of [redacted], date of birth, [redacted], was the girl that was walking with [redacted] and she definately looked like [redacted] as she had long brown hair parted in the center and was approximately the same size.

A list of [redacted] best friends were provided the department by Thomas Leach. The list is as follows:

Phone Numbers

[redacted]

All of the above named people were checked by myself and Patrolman Parrish and no information of any importance was obtained. [redacted] was [redacted] boyfriend and an interview with [redacted] resulted in him advising that the last time that he had spoke with or seen [redacted] was on Wednesday, which was February 8, 1978, and he had talked with her about going to the Valentine Dance at the North Campus High School, that coming Saturday night, being February 11, 1978. He stated that she and he had agreed to meet at the North Campus School at the dance.

[redacted] parents were interviewed numerous times by myself and Patrolman Parrish, myself and Chief Philpot, myself and Tommy Trammel (of the Second Judicial Circuit State Attorneys Office). On every occasion questions were posed them that they always answered and appeared to be truthful, appeared to be remorseful, or

anyhowat a loss by the disappearance of [redacted] They at no time ever felt that [redacted] had left home or was a runaway as she had never before ever skipped school, skipped classes or ever run-off from home before, that she had no problems at home, that she had never really wanted for anything that she didn't get, that is anything within reason, and that as a matter of fact she had just been elected runner-up queen of the valentine dance that was coming up on the eleventh (11th) of February and that her mother Freida Leach and [redacted] had already picked out a dress that she was going to wear to that dance that [redacted] was real elated about the dance and surprised that she fared as well in the contest and was looking forward to the dance with much anxiety.

A list of Mr. Leach 's relatives were obtained, these relatives being as follows:
B. F. Leach, Mr. Leach 's father, lives in Dyer, Tenn., phone # 901/792-2563
Barry Leach, Mr. Leach 's brother, also of Dyer, Tenn., phone # 901/692-3891
Gary Leach, another brother, no telephone, resides in Dyer, Tennessee
Gerald Leach, another brother, of Dyer, Tenn., Phone # 901/692-2572
Richard Leach, another brother, Chicago, Ill., Phone # 312/532-5010
Joanne Morris, Mr. Leach 's sister, Dyer, Tenn, 901/692-2211, or 692-2652.
Sue Little, a sister of Mr. Leach 's, of O'Brian, Tenn. 634-3758
Martha Baker, a sister of Mr. Leaches, Jackson, Tenn., 742-2750
Mr. Leach also has an ex-wife who was married to Danny Ray Green, his ex-wifes name being Shirley, 34 to 35 years of age, with the following children by Mr. Leach: Johnny Wayne, 19 years of age, [redacted] 17 years of age married with two (2) children, [redacted] 14 Year of Age and [redacted] 16 years of age, these are residents of Yorkville, Tenn, and Rullaford, Tenn.

Johnny Wayne, age 19, had spent three (3) weeks with the Leaches and had been gone about a week before the disappearance of [redacted] During this three week period Mr. Leach reported that Johnny Wayne did in fact get intoxicated one night and the extent that he was not allowed to come into the residence and subsequently spent the night with a neighbor in the trailer park. It has been reported that Johnny Wayne and [redacted] did not get along that well, they did not have any fusses or fights its just that [redacted] didn't like Johnny Wayne all that well, and this resulted in the interview with Mr. C. W. Fender who was the father of Freida Leach. He stated that Mr. Fender and Mr. Leach got along very well and were very close. He had no knowledge of the family every having any

fights or arguments and none of them had any psychological problems and that he felt almost certain that [redacted] had to be taken away from the school that she certainly didn't run away or leave of her own accord.

Sharon Morgan, a sister of Frieda Leach, who lived next door to the Leach's for over a year at that same trailer park which the Leach's now reside in, described them as a normal family and that they never had any out of the way arguments or any problems and found them to be very close family.

Interviews with [redacted] teachers which was Mr. Opperman, the principal of the Junior High School, Mrs. Newell, Mrs. Caldwell, the P. E. teacher, Mr. Bishop, Morris Williams the assistant principal, Mr. Bishop being her homeroom teacher. Talking with all these teachers, they all generally agreed that [redacted] was quiet, very studious, made good grades, never skipped school or very seldom was absent and was all in all a good average student.

On February 11, 1978, a news release and photographs of [redacted] were released to channel 12, chennel 4 and channel 17 of Jacksonville, channel 20 of Gainesville, the Florida Times Union, and the Lake City Reporter. Also Agent King of the FBI in Jacksonville, contacted this office and advised us that he had been contacted by several residents of the Lake City area and had been requested to enter the case of missing [redacted]. Of course he informed them as well as myself that he had no jurisdiction in this case, that is the FBI had no jurisdiction, and that they would render any technical assistance or any profesional advise that the Lake City Police Department so desired in this case but until a kidnapping or a cross state lines crime had been committed that they would not enter into the case. On February 12, 1978, being Sunday, members of the Lake City Police Department searched the school grounds and the school, now this search literally included from top to bottom. We went underneath the school, checked the sand underneath the school, checked in the attic, on top of the roof, and in every nook and cranny through out the entire school buildings and campus. The woods to the rear or South of the school were checked throughly, walked out as they were on Saturday. The lakes in the immediate area being Lake DeSoto, Lake Isabell and Alligator Lake, were checked by boat; and a search of the woods around the lake were conducted and lead by Chief Paul Philpot.

Searches were also conducted of the wooded area behind the Columbia High School North Campus, around the old Country Club area over to Country Club Road, the woods located to the rear and North of Kens Bar-B-Que, south First Street, Northward all the way to Ivy's trailer park; all of the woods all the way over to the residential area west of that area.

The wooded areas behind Summers Elementry School from Grandview Av all the way around Brown Road including the entire area of the city limits of the southwest portion of the city limits were searched.

The homeroom class of Mr. John L. Bishop was visited by M yself and Patrolman Parrish. We address the entire class asking for any information that would lead to the locating of [redacted] or any information in reference to the dissappearance of [redacted]. None could be furnished and again on Monday Morning, being the 13th, Patrolman Parrish and myself visited the first period class of Mr. Bishop's, which would have been the class that [redacted] retrieved her purse from. We introduced ourselves to the entire class and asked for any information that may be beneficial to us in locating [redacted] or to her disappearance. [redacted] advised that she saw [redacted] come into Mr. Bishops room and pick up her purse but had no further information. [redacted], a student, date of birth [redacted], [redacted], telephone number [redacted], stated that [redacted] joked with him briefly when she cam into pick up her purse. [redacted], date of birth [redacted], of [redacted], Phone number [redacted], stated that he saw [redacted] come into Mr. Bishops room and pick up her purse and leave the room and he was also interviewed again on February 18, 1978, as was the other two and no new information or nothing different was gained from these three people. [redacted] address is [redacted], her date of birth is [redacted], and her phone number is [redacted].

Parrish and myself also interviewed the first period class of P. E. that being the class that [redacted] left from and never returned, with no one being able to furnish any information other than she was seen at class and was also observed leaving with [redacted], no one saw her return.

The residence's surrounding the two (2) blocks that the Junior High School is located onwere all canvassed by myself and Patrolman Parrish, no one observed anything out of the ordinary or unusual and subsequently no information was gained or obtained that would have been any bene fit in this investigation.

February 14, 1978, in the A. M. Chief Paul Philpot advised me that he had requested that the FDCLE enter the case and he stated to me that the FDCLE's feelings were essentially the same as the FBI and that they did not wish to enter the case at this time until more evidence was obtained indicating that the girl had infact been abducted.

The names and address and telephone numbers of Mr. Leach's family in Tenneessee were provided to the FBI in hope that they would check up there for any information that maybe lead to the whereabouts of [redacted] We were informed taht they did not think it necessary and would just advise that we hold on to them by Agent King and Agent Cook of the FBI. Searches were held or conducted in all of the wooded areas of the city limits and immediately surrounding areas throughout the week and the school was repeatedly searched from top to bottom again and again daily for the remainder of the week. Various leads were checked by Patrolman Parrish and myself, leads which I've found to be of no benefit to this case or proved to be false information and subsequently won't be mentioned in this particular report.

A list of students that were tardy, absent or dismissed early was obtained from the school in hopes it may reveal some light on this case, it did not. A list of all the CETA program workers that were working on the campus was obtained background investigations of all these individuals were checked with no bearing on this case. A background check of Mr. Williams, the assistant principal was also conducted in depth and revealed nothing detramental or of no value to this case. Also Mr. Bishop was questioned at length and his background was also checked in depth with no bearing to this case. A Lanny Crosier, a teacher with Niblack School was also interviewed with no value to this case. Ray Hart, a P. E. teacher, was also interviewed, he had nothing to render to this investigation as he was absent that day due to to an illness in his family.

We obtained a list of all sex offenders throughout the entire third judicial circuit and a review of those revealed nothing pertinant to this investigation. On February 17, 1978, the police department was contacted by a Judith Laurie of 536 North Flectcher , apt. 2 in Fernindina Beach, Florida, this lady is reportedly a pysic, she furnished this department with information of which is obtained in an attached report and which the next 2 days were spent investigating this pysic's report to no avail. Composites were produced and also attached to this report from her pysic abilities. The morning of February 15, 1978, I was contacted by

the Leon County Sheriff's Office. They said that they had one Theodore Robert Bundy, a white male , in custody in Pensacola and that there may be a link between the missing [redacted] and this reputedly abducting rapist, Theodore Robert Bundy.

On February 17, 1978, I received a phone call from Sergeant Brand of the Leon County Sheriff's Office and he furnished a list of twenty (21) credit cards and brand of credit cards, the different names that they were in and asked that we check our area to ascertain if any of these cards had been used that one card a Gulf Card, Thomas N. Evans, III had in fact been used in the Duval County area the day before an attempted abduction had taken place and they felt this Theodore Robert Bunday was a suspect in that attempted abduction and was infact the one that signed Thomas N. Evans the third on the credit card receipt. Sergeant Brand stated that these credit cards had been taken out of Bundy's pockets or of his person at his time of arrest.

Names and credit cards names of all twenty-one (21) credit cards were Feb 19, furnished to the Florida Highway Patrol by myself and a request of them them were made by myself to canvas the service stations and motels during their patrol to ascertain if any of these cards had been used. At approximately ten o'clock on the same date I was summoned to the FHP station and advised that a card had in-fact been used; a Bankamericard, the name on it being Ralph H. Miller, The Bankamericard number was [redacted].

Lieutenant Boatwright, of the FHP had secured all of these evidentury items which was the vouchers and folios and the credit card receipts form the Holiday Inn and turned these items over to Tommy Trammel of the second Circuit States Attorney Office. I will attempt to relate the way these cards were used as according to an interview with Karen Elizibeth Tadlock, Rt. 5 Box 132, Lake City, Florida. The telephone number being a Branford Extention 935-0635, her date of birth July 31, 1953. She is the assistant innkeeper of the Holiday Inn at the Lake City at I-75 and US 90. Evidence item #2 was a dining room charge voucher for the evening of February 8, 1978, which indicates that, two beers had been purchased and that the subject ate at the buffett. The check number was [redacted], and it was charged to evidence item # 1 A, which was charge voucher, #[redacted], which was in turn put in a folio which is evidence item number one at the desk which was number [redacted]. David Cane was the waiter and Doris Whitehead was the dining

room cashier. The Evans subject checked in at 8:44 P.M., February 8, 1978, Pearl Walker, Dale Sconyers and Randy Jones and Denise Lee were the desk clerks. Dale Sconyers checked Mr. Evans in on folio #[redacted], evidenct item number three. Chrge voucher #[redacted], evidenct item #3-A, was charged to Bankamericard #[redacted], for the amount of 23.04. Evidence item number four is a Disco Lounge voucher #[redacted], a bartab which indicated he sat at the bar and not at a table. He charged four gins and one draft beer. The lounge is open from 8:00 P.M. to 12:00 P.M. February 8, 1978. The amount 6.40 was charged to his room. The subject did sign the voucher, he also changed the names. Evidence Item number five, is a registration card from room 443, for one night on February 8, 1978, for $16.64, for one adult charged to a bankamericard #[redacted] in the name of Ralph Miller of 2641 Washington, Gainesville, Florida. B_____ and associates. A check of customers immediately following or preceeding Mr. Evans checking in revealed that at 8:40 P.M. G. Odom checked into room 445, Mr. R. D. Byrd Checked into room 441 at 8:45 P.M. His address is 2567 Lake Flair Circle, Atlanta, Georgia; 30345 of Bob Byrd and Associates driving a Cadillac, tag number R E Y 608, Georgia plates. The Bankamericard number [redacted]; evidence itme number 6 is a statement sent by the Holiday Inn to the address in Gainesville to Mr. R. Miller for the unpaid bill aforementioned. It was returned marked no such street. Evidence number 6 A is the three remaining parts of a four part statement which is the same as number 6 just carbon copies. Evidence number 7 is a record of debt envelope.

On February 19, 1978 at 10:55 P.M., I did talk with Sharon Colquitt, P. O. Box 1036, date of birth, September 28, 1947, phone number 755-0704, who is the bartender at the Holiday Inn and was the bartender at the Holiday Inn on February 8, 1978, and did wait on Mr. Evans who showed her a room key and wrote "Miller" on top of the ticket after he had signed "Miller" at the bottom. He advised that he was "Evans" at first. He was sitting with another man, it was on a Wednesday night and he sat on the third seat south of the curve in the bar and thethe bar running from east to west and then south and he was at the west end of the bar at the curve.

Wednesday night was a very busy night at the bar and Mrs. Colquitt states that she was training a new bartender named Joe, the rest of his name is unknown as he never returned. A lot of loud music and dancing, she could not remember if the "Evans" subject got up at all. She stated that she couldn't remember anything about the other man and that they were standing together preparing to leave

when Evans signed the ticket before he left.

On February 19, 1978, I talked to William Dale Sconyers of Route 6, Box 379, Lake City, Florida, telephone number 752-8992, date of birth May 22, 1959, who was the desk clerk at the Holiday Inn on February 8, 1978. He checked in the subject Ralph Miller on February 8, 1978, his hair appeared to be greasy, dark and dirty, about collar length a Fu Man Choo, type mustache about 12 or 13 day beard. He had a slender face, looked wierd, high forehead, acted doped up, slow speaking, slow filling out the forms, medium slow voice, eyes appeared to be dialated, he was slow answering questions posed him, such as when he was leaving and vehicle information. He had a green army jacket, sleeves appeared to be short or 3/4 sleeves. He had a flat forehead. Mr. Sconyers stated that he may be able to identify this man in a live lineup.

That same night I talked with Randy Alton Jones of Route 4, Box 63-T, date of birth June 14, 195 telephone number 752-2398, who was also a desk clerk at the Holiday Inn on February 8, 1978, at I-75 and U.S. 90. He was present when the subject checked in he observed a white male a day or two old beard, hair dirty, not washed for a day or two, he looked either drunk or spaced out, he acted funny, slurred his words, his clothes were rough, may have had on Levis, the clothes went along with his shabby appearance. His hair was a little below his ears, dark har. The desk was very busy at the time. Showing him a six photo spread, he positively identified Bundy as the subject that checked in under the name Ralph Miller.

Joseph Rucinski of P. O. Box 1646, Lake City, telephone number 752-7863, was subsequently interviewed February 21, 1978. He is a porter at the Holiday Inn. Mr. Rucinski states that he was unloading a tour bus around 9:00 P.M. on February 8, 1978 at the Holiday Inn at I-75 and U.S. 90, and noticed a white Dodge Van with white bumpers and windows in the rear doors. He did not think it had hub-caps. The truck appeared to be brand new. He did not notice a tag. The next morning on February 9, 1978 he had to load the same tour bus between 7:30 A.M. and 8:00 A.M., and the truck or the van was still there. The reason for him noticing the van was because he was sort-of into vans and wondered if the van had been bought for customizing. He notices all vans and imagines how he could fix them up by painting and customizing them and etc. He also had to walk around this van in order to get into the bus properly. This van was located at the northeast side of the parking area at the north-east side of the parking area at the northeast corner of the Holicay Inn property, being very close to room 443, used by the person who we later identified to be Bundy.

FORM 2

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CITY OF LAKE CITY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

LAKE CITY, FLORIDA 32055

INVESTIGATION REPORT or STATEMENT

December 19th, 1978

RANDY ALTON JONES, DOB: 06-14-59, RT.4, BOX 63T 752-2398, EMPLOYED BY THE HOLIDAY INN AS A DESK CLERK POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED THEODORE ROBERT BUNDY AS THE SUBJECT THAT CHECKED INTO THE HOLIDAY INN ON FEBRUARY 8, 1978. HE STATED THAT BUNDY APPEARED TO BE "SPACED OUT", SHABBY IN APPEARENCE AND HAD ABOUT A TWO DAY OLD BEARD. MR. JONES PICKED MR. BUNDY OUT OF A (6) PHOTO LINE UP, BUNDY BEING #5, THIS LINE UP WAS RETAINED BY INV. DAUGHERTY OF THE LAKE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

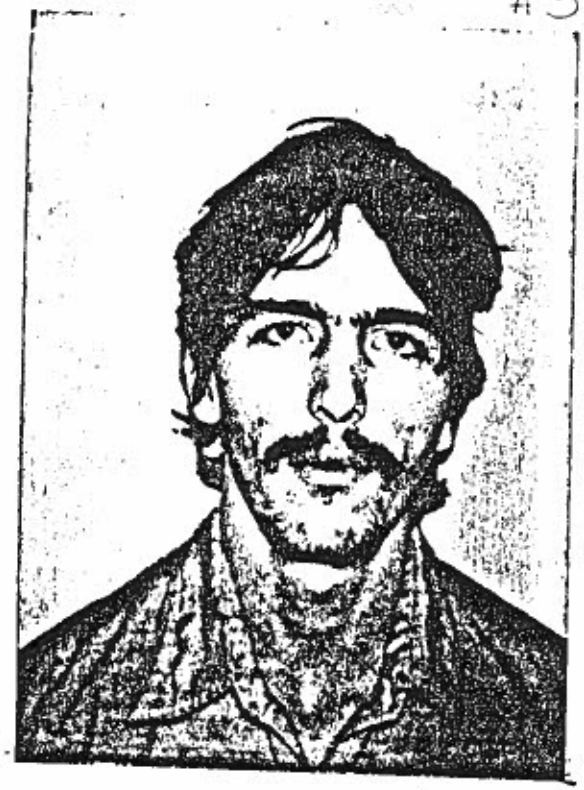
MR. JONES WAS INTERVIEWED 2-20-78 AT 12:30AM BY INV. DAUGHERTY AND INV. TRAMMELL.

INVESTIGATOR JAMES L. DAUGHERTY

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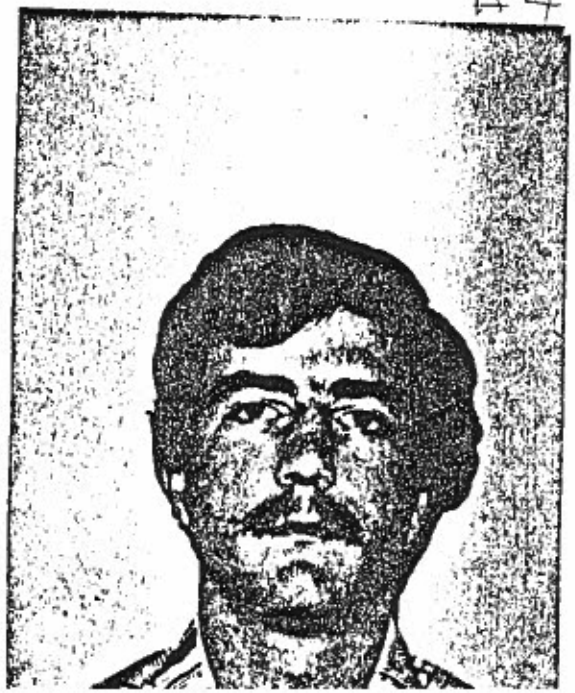




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Thur 020978 [redacted] reported as missing at 1545 hrs by Tom Leach

Fri 021078 Mrs Leach called and advised that [redacted] was still missing, investigation began, Jr High teachers interviewed and the school grounds searched.

Sat 021178 School & grounds searched as well as the surrounding wooded areas.

Sun 021278 Neighborhood search conducted by Ptlm Parrish and myself, search of the wooded areas and the lakes continued.

Mon 021378 The homeroom & 1st Period classes of [redacted] were interviewed, much time will be spent in sorting the truths and untruths. TV & radio stations were provided with news release and photographs.

Tue 021478 This day was spent running down false leads as a result of the TV & radio anouncements.

Wed 021578 Searching continued, interviewing students & teachers continued. At 0130 hrs this AM Theodore Bundy was arrested in Pensacola.

Thur 021678 An investigation of a psychic, Judith Laurie, was conducted, Fernidina Police Dept was contacted. She stated that she had a vision that may be benificial to our ongoing investigation. Interviews continued.

Fri 021778 Transported Judith Laurie to Lake City and returned her to Fernidina after spending the day checking her theory to no avail.

Sat 021878 Joined by Tommy Trammel and Wayne Hicks of the States Atty Office 2nd Circuit, reinterviewed the Leachs, obtained possible evidence from the room of [redacted] and reinterviewed key witnesses.

Sun 021978 Talked with Sgt Pace FHP in ref to them wanting to conduct a search in the outlying areas, consulteded the Sheriff and Chief ref FHP involvment. Information was obtained from Tallahassee that Bundy may be a suspect and credit card information was provided this info was subsequently given to the FHP and permission given to them to begin the search around noon. At 1930 hrs FHP notified me that Trp Scott had found where one of the credit cards was used at the Holiday Inn 020878. Holiday Inn employees were interviewed & it was ascertained that Bundy had used the card, concluded interviews at 0200hrs.

Mon 022078 Interviews of the Holiday Inn employees continued, reinterviewed the neighborhood of the school with info pertaining to Bundy.

Tue 022178 Assisted search with FHP.

Wed 022278 Interviewed Mrs Stevenson, MacFarland Av, ref her possibly seeing Bundy on 020778 & 020878.

Thur 022378 Obtained possible evidence from FHP and transported it to FDCLE Lab in Tallahassee, then attended a meeting in Live Oak with FHP commanders States Atty Office, Leon County S O, Columbia S O, Pensacola P D.

Fri	022478	Joined by Steve Bodiford, LCSO. Mrs Stevenson was Hypmotized, the search was intensified and assisted with helicopters from LCSO.
Sat	022578	Search of the Suwannee County Land Fill and the Osceola Forrest.
Sun	022678	Met with FDCLE Agen J O Jackson to set up Task Force.
Mon	022778	Opened Task Force Office, obtained furniture, telephones, radio equipment and coordinating of investigators.
Tue	022878	Verified the whereabouts of Mr & Mrs Leach on 020978. Report writting.
Wed	030178	Went to Jasper near state line in woods to interview possible witnesses Began construction of Calendar of events of Bundy per the credit cards.
Thur	030278	Report writting and Task Office duty answering telephones.
Fri	030378	Report writting and Task Office duty answering telephones.
Sat	030478	Assisted in Search.
Sun	030578	Assisted in search.
Mon	030678	Report writting and Task Office Duty.
Tue	030778	Interviewed Theodore Bundy at Leon County Jail, Tallahassee.
Wed	030878	Obtained Dental records of [redacted] and report writting.
Thur	030978	Went to Jacksonville with Agent Jackson ref lead, exhausted entire day.
Fri	031078	Went to State line on SR 129 ref a map received in the mail, searched all day with FHP & GFC.
Sat	031178	Report writting & searching.
Sun	031278	Report writting and searching.
Mon	031378	Running down leads called in on telephones.
Tue	031478	Went to Blue Springs, Laffeyette County, ref psychic lead, with GFC divers with no sucess.
Wed	031578	Contacted Ocala ref similiar case and their suspect.
Thur	031678 thru 040678	These days were spent running down "hot spots" produced by DOT film of north Fla and report writting. Search continuing.
Fri	040778	The locating of [redacted] body at the Suwanee River State Park,
Sat	040878	The autopsy of [redacted] body at Duval County Medical examiners office.

Sun	040978	Crime scene searching.
Mon	041078	Crime scene searching.
Tue	041178	Disbanded the Task Force Office and completed reports.
Wed	041278	Returned to normal duties with the Police Department.

Every Monday morning was designated as the meeting day for investigators ref the Leach case at the FDCLE Office in Live Oak for the purposes of distributing any information to investigators. The FDCLE is to reinvestigate the entire case and to put the case into some type of form.

On 071778 the case was presented to the Grand Jury in Lake City during this week. presenting some 70 witnesses.

Theodore Robert Bundy
D. O. B. 11-24-46
5'11" 160 lbs.

30 Dec 77; Escaped from Glenwood Springs, Colorado County Jail.

7 Jan 78; Bundy signed a lease at 409 W. College Ave. Tallahassee, Fla.

10 Jan 78; TV stolen from 915 W. Pensacola St. Tallahassee, Fla, TV subsequently recovered 15 Feb 78 with the arrest of Bundy.

13 Jan 78; Fla. tag #13D11300 stolen from Randall Ragen 1002 W. St. Augustine St. Tallahassee, Fla.

15 Jan 78; Double murder of two W/F and assaults of three other W/Fs

20 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used at The Deli in Tallahaseee, Fla.

21 Jan 78; Francis Labadie's wallet stolen at Publix Market Tallahassee, Fla.

23 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used at Phidippides in Tallahassee, Fla.

The Labadie credit card used at the Holiday Inn, Tallahassee

24 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used at the Holiday Inn, Tallahassee

25 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used at the Holiday Inn, Tallahassee
The Labadie credit card used at The Deli, Tallahassee

26 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used at The Holiday Inn, Tallahassee

27 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used at the Holiday Inn, Tallahassee

28 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used twice at the Holiday Inn, Tallahassee, Fla.

28 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used twice at The Attic in Tallahassee and used once at D. C. Wheelers' in Tallahassee.

The Labadie credit card used at The Yankee Peddler in the Tallahassee Mall, Tallahassee, Fla.

The Labadie credit card used at the 10 Speed Drive

The Labadie credit card used at The Waldens Book Store in the Tallahassee, Mall.

29 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used at The Holiday Inn, Tallahassee

31 Jan 78; The Labadie credit card used twice at Western Sizzler, 1301 N. Monroe, Tallahassee, Fla.

1 Feb 78; The Labadie credit card used at The Pass, Tallahassee

The Evelyn Moore wallet stolen at Sharrod's, Tallahassee

3 Feb. 78; The William R. Evans credit card used at Smoker's World Tallahassee.

The William R. Evans credit card used at The Hilton, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Nic's Toggery, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Richards Luggage, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Shaws Inc. Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Rapps Racquet Shop Tallahassee

There were six wallets stolen from Sharrod's Tallahassee

There were two wallets stolen from The Hilton, Tallahassee

4 Feb 78; The William R. Evans credit card used at Nic's Toggery, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Rapps Racquet Shop, Tallahassee

The Labadie credit card used twice at The Hilton, Tallahassee

5 Feb 78; The Labadie credit card used at The Hilton, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Andrews' 2nd Act, Tallahassee

6 Feb 78; The Labadie credit card used at The Hilton, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Tasty World, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Andrews' 2nd Act, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Eckerds Drugs, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used twice at J. Bryons, Tallahassee

7 Feb 78; The William R. Evans credit card used at Gulf Service Station, Lake City

The Thomas N. Evans credit card used at a Gulf Service Station, Jacksonville, Fla.

8 Feb 78; The Labadie Gulf & Thomas N Evans Shell credit cards were used in Jacksonville, Fla

A "General" Buck knife was purchased at Green Acres, Jacksonville Fla.

The Ralf H. Miller & William R. Evans credit cards were used at The Holiday Inn, Lake City.

9 Feb 78; [redacted] went missing from the Junior High School, Lake City

The William R. Evans credit card used at The Chez Pierre, Tallahassee

10 Feb 78; The William R. Evans credit card used three times at Clydes, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at the Chez Pierre, Tallahassee.

The William R. Evans credit card used at Vivier Enterprises, Tallahassee.

Bundy had a date with Frances S. Messier, 409 W. College Ave, Tallahassee

A green Toyota stolen from 637 W. Tenn St, Tallahassee, Fla.

11 Feb 78; The William R. Evans credit card used at The Chez Pierre, Tallahassee

The William R. Evans credit card used at Vivier Enterprises, Tallahassee

Bundy split from a routine check by Deputy Daws, LSCO, and left behind a stolen Toyota and stolen tag # 13D11300, at Jefferson & Blvd Sts.

12 Feb 78; A orange VW, 13D15864, stolen from 515 E. Ga. St. Tallahassee

A blue VW and white Mazda also stolen by Bundy in Tallahassee

13 Feb 78; A tag # 13D7343 stolen from Randle Gray, 2303 Spoonwood Dr., Tallahassee

White Van recovered in Tallahassee

The Thomas Evans credit card used at Holiday Inn, Crestview, Fla.

Bundy pulled out of woods south of Crestview, Fla.

14 Feb 78; Tag # 13D7343 recovered upon Bundy arrest, Pensacola, Fla.

Orange VW 13D15864 recovered upon Bundy arrest, Pensacola.